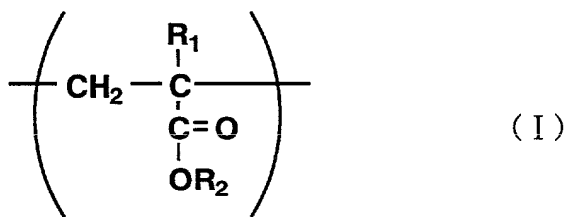


What is claimed is:

1. A process for producing a poly(meth)acrylate having a reduced metal content which comprises contacting a mixture of a poly(meth)acrylate and an organic solvent with an acidic aqueous solution.

2. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the poly(meth)acrylates has a weight average molecular weight of about 1,000 to 100,000.

3. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the poly(meth)acrylates is a resin having a repeating unit represented by the following formula (I):



wherein R_1 represents hydrogen or an alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, and R_2 represents an organic group.

4. The process according to Claim 3, wherein R_1 represents hydrogen and methyl.

5. The process according to Claim 3, wherein R_2 represents alkyls which may be straight-chained or branched and may have a substituent selected from hydroxyl, alkoxy, acyl and acyloxy, and cyclic alkyls which may have a substituent selected from hydroxyl, alkoxy, acyl and acyloxy.

6. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the acidic aqueous solution is an aqueous solution obtained by

dissolving a polyprotic carboxylic acid having about 2 to 12 carbon atoms in water.

7. The process according to Claim 6, wherein the polyprotic carboxylic acid is selected from oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, malonic acid and adipic acid.